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Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] possible third-country removals to Saudi Arabia (and possibly Libya) tomorrow

Date: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 12:09:08 PM

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Hello all – Allison went to Pearsall this morning to meet with the individuals flagged here but they have already been moved out of Pearsall. She is still in the center now trying to warn some other folks there who might be at risk of future flights. I am going to send ICE an email regarding the people you flagged with the PI and amendment now, but I don't know if they will accept the communication from me without a G28. I don't know if it might carry more weight coming from the litigation team? Let me know if you have other ideas on how to proceed.

From: Allison Herre (SAT) <AHerre@trla.org> Date: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 at 8:19 AM

**To:** Naveen Flores-Dixit (SAT) <NFloresDixit@trla.org>, Asylum Defense Project <ADP@trla.org>, Anwen Hughes <hughesa@humanrightsfirst.org>, Laura Flores Dixit <laurafd@americangateways.org>, Elizabeth Almanza

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Good morning all,

Our friends at American Gateways shared the urgent request to meet with the Laotian man who may be sent to Libya or Saudi Arabia imminently. I am leaving shortly to visit the detention center in Pearsall and can meet with Mr. hopefully before he's sent to intake for transfer processing.

Beyond sharing the DVD materials, I cannot promise that our team would be able to do much more for Mr. we learn from meeting with him if he consents. Are there any questions or other messages you have for Mr.

but I can share what

Thanks!

In solidarity,

Allison

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From: Laura Flores Dixit < laurafd@americangateways.org>

Sent: Wednesday, May 7, 2025 6:56:51 AM

To: Naveen Flores-Dixit (SAT) <NFloresDixit@trla.org>

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Sending to you individually bc it bounced back from the group

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Cc: Trina Realmuto <trina@immigrationlitigation org>; Matt Adams <matt@nwirp org> Subject: possible third-country removals to Saudi Arabia (and possibly Libya) tomorrow

#### Dear Laura and Elizabeth,

I am writing on behalf of the team litigating DVD v. DHS, the case challenging DHS's removal of people to third countries without an opportunity to raise fear claims, in which there is now a preliminary injunction (attached), to which the court recently made a slight modification at our request to prevent DHS from ducking out from under his order by first shipping people to Guantanamo (modification to the PI is pasted in at the end of this e-mail). There is a rumor that the U.S. is planning to send two military planes from Texas to Saudi Arabia tomorrow, and that a Laotian man currently detained at Pearsall has been told that he is going to be on one of them. The New York Times is also reporting that the U.S. is imminently planning to send a military flight to Libya for the same purpose, imminently meaning as early as tomorrow.

The identifying information we have on the Laotian man is as follows:



We are getting this thirdhand and have not spoken with this Laotian national, but are urgently concerned that his removal would be in violation of the court order in DVD, and given Saudi Arabia's human rights record in general, and its treatment of migrants specifically, we want to make sure this man gets a consult and an opportunity to raise any CAT claim he may have.

Would it be possible for someone on your staff to talk with him and send ICE a copy of the P.I. and amendment to it? If you have any questions about this or I can be helpful in any way I'll be reachable most of the day tomorrow at (212) 845-5244, and all day by e-mail.

Thanks so much,

Anwen

## Amendment to P.I.:

Judge Brian E. Murphy: ELECTRONIC ORDER - AMENDED PRELIMINARY INJUNCTION: In light of the issues raised during the April 28, 2025 hearing, this Court modifies a portion of its April 18, 2025 preliminary injunction 64. This modification preserves the status quo as outlined in this Court's preliminary injunction. See Sec. & Exch. Comm'n v. Xia, 2024 WL 3447849, at \*6-7 (E.D.N.Y. July 9, 2024) (collecting cases modifying preliminary injunctions pending appeal in order to preserve the status quo). Defendants have represented to this court that that removals from Guantanamo Bay to third countries have been executed by the Department of Defense without the Department of Homeland Security's direction or knowledge, see Dkt 72, and the Court makes no finding on the accuracy of this assignment of responsibility but, in an abundance of caution, ORDERS that, prior to removing, or allowing or permitting another agency to remove, an alien from Guantanamo Bay to a third country, Defendants must comport with the terms of the April 18, 2025 preliminary injunction by providing the due-process guarantees set forth in Dkt. 64 at 46-47. At the April 28, 2025 hearing, the status of the Guantanamo Bay Detention Center was debated. The Court declines to resolve if transportation to this base is a deportation to a third country despite the United States' exercise of jurisdiction and control over the base. Given the position taken by the Government that the deportation from Guantanamo to third countries was not at the direction, behest or control of the Department of Homeland Security, a debated issue to be resolved once preliminary discovery has been conducted, this Court ORDERS that, after taking custody of an alien, Defendants may not cede custody or control in any manner that prevents an alien from receiving the due-process guarantees outlined in the April 18, 2025 preliminary injunction.

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